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4. The packaged electroluminescent apparatus of claim 1, wherein the desiccant includes one of dehydrated metal halides and salts.

5. The packaged electroluminescent apparatus of claim 4, wherein the desiccant includes cobalt chloride.

6. The packaged electroluminescent apparatus of claim 1, wherein the at least one of a desiccant and an inert fluoro-carbon liquid is disposed inboard of one of the first and second cured adhesive rings in the cavity.

7. The packaged electroluminescent apparatus of claim 4, wherein the desiccant is disposed between the first and second ultraviolet light-cured epoxy adhesive rings and

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inboard of one of the first and second ultraviolet light-cured epoxy adhesive rings in the cavity.

8. The packaged electroluminescent apparatus of claim 1, wherein the transparent substrate and the cover both include glass.

9. The packaged electroluminescent apparatus of claim 1, wherein the cover includes at least one of glass, plastic, stamped metal foils, plastic circuit boards (PCB), ceramic cans, machined metal cans, and semiconductor substrates.

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